

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 813

By Floyd

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Virginia Love on being named a 2014 Woman of Distinction by the American Lung Association.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should salute those citizens who, through their extraordinary efforts, have distinguished themselves as community leaders of whom we can all be proud; and

WHEREAS, Virginia Love will be recognized as a 2014 Woman of Distinction by the American Lung Association of Tennessee at the organization's 29th Annual Women of Distinction Awards Luncheon; and

WHEREAS, this prestigious event honors a number of women who have distinguished themselves through their professional, civic, and volunteer service; the event also benefits the important work of the American Lung Association in Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Love is a well-known and highly-respected attorney in the field of estate and trust law and a member of the American Counsel of Trusts and Estates Lawyers, the Tennessee Bar Association, and the state bar of Georgia; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to awards and accolades, Virginia Love has been recognized as one of the "Best Lawyers of America" for the past twenty-one years and as one of the "Super Lawyers of the Mid-South"; and

WHEREAS, she is also deeply involved in volunteerism and community service, serving as an executive committee member of the Partnership for Families, Children, and Adults and a member of the foundation board of the Helen Ross McNabb Center; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Love was raised in Southeast Asia and spent five years attending British government schools in Hong Kong before graduating from an American boarding school in Taichung, Taiwan. She attended Furman University at the age of fifteen, married at

seventeen, and became a mother at eighteen. Dedicated to the pursuit of her education, she worked full-time in a factory while attending college on a full-time basis and caring for her children. She attended graduate school in San Diego, California, before returning to Tennessee to attend law school at the University of Tennessee at Knoxville; and

WHEREAS, epitomizing the spirit and commitment that are characteristic of a true Tennessean, Virginia Love takes her place among the many noble citizens who have earned Tennessee the nickname of "The Volunteer State"; and

WHEREAS, the success of the State of Tennessee, the strength of our communities, and the overall vitality of our society depend, in great measure, on the dedication of people such as Ms. Love, who use their considerable talents and resources to serve others; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and congratulate Virginia Love on being named a 2014 Woman of Distinction by the American Lung Association, thank her for all she has done to make Chattanooga and this State a better place to live and work, and extend to her our best wishes for much continued success in the future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.